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REMARKS

Applicants respectfully request reconsideration of the above-identified patent application. Claims 1-16, 18, 20 and 23-27 are pending and claims 17, 19, 21 and 22 are canceled. Applicants thank Examiner Brown for the statement that claims 1-16, 18, 20 and 23-27 are allowed. Applicants respectfully submit that the cancellation of claims 17, 19, 21 and 22 puts the application in condition for allowance. A notice to that effect is earnestly and respectfully solicited. If the examiner notes any further issues to address with the patent application, he is invited to contact the undersigned.

Respectfully submitted,

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